

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A data communication terminal comprising:

data communication means for connecting to a communication network, in which ~~where~~ accounting is made according to a transmitted/received data amount, to carry out data communication;

means for recognizing ~~the a~~ start and ~~the an~~ end of transmission/reception of a set of transmitted/received objective data ~~to be transmitted/received~~;

10 means for measuring a transmitted/received data amount from the start to the end of transmission/reception of the set of objective data; ~~to be transmitted/received and to be recognized~~;

means for judging whether or not the measured transmitted/received data amount ~~to be measured~~ has reached a specified data amount; and

15 means for, when it is judged that the measured transmitted/received data amount has reached the specified data amount, warning a user ~~to~~ that effect the transmitted/received data amount has reached the specified data amount; and

20 means for, when it is judged that the measured transmitted/received data amount has reached the specified data amount, temporarily suspending transmission/reception of the set

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of objective data, receiving an instruction to resume or
terminate transmission/reception of the set of objective data
from the user, and resuming or terminating transmission/reception
of the set of objective data in accordance with the instruction.

Claim 2 (Canceled).

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3. (Currently Amended) A data communication terminal according to claim 1, wherein ~~data comprising plural the set of objective data comprises a plurality of~~ packets to be transmitted/received continuously ~~based on the basis of~~ an instruction from a user ~~is recognized as the set of objective data to be transmitted/received.~~

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4. (Currently Amended) A data communication terminal according to claim 1, wherein the set of objective data is a set of sub data that is recognized as the set of objective data based on the basis of tag information, which is contained in the another set of objective data, the tag information instructing and which instructs the data communication terminal to read the set of sub data.

5. (Currently Amended) A data communication terminal according to claim 1, ~~further comprising:~~

5 data communication means for connecting to a communication network, in which accounting is made according to a transmitted/received data amount, to carry out data communication;

means for recognizing a start and an end of transmission/reception of a set of transmitted/received objective data;

10 means for measuring a transmitted/received data amount from the start to the end of transmission/reception of the set of objective data;

15 means for judging whether or not the measured transmitted/received data amount has reached a specified data amount;

means for, when it is judged that the measured transmitted/received data amount has reached the specified data amount, warning a user that the transmitted/received data amount has reached the specified data amount; and

20 means for optionally setting an upper limit value of the corresponding to a maximum allowed data amount with which a for continuous transmission/reception of any set of objective data; to be transmitted/received can be transmitted/received continuously;

25 wherein the judgment is made so by the judging means is performed such that, when the set upper limit value is reached,

it is judged that the transmitted/received data amount has reached the specified data amount.

6. (Currently Amended) A data communication terminal according to claim ± 5, wherein when transmission/reception of data is not suspended but continued after it is judged that the transmitted/received data amount has reached the specified data amount, the upper limit value ~~of the data amount with which a set of objective data to be transmitted/received can be transmitted/received continuously~~ is temporarily increased.

Claims 7 and 8 (Canceled).

9. (Currently Amended) A data communication method, comprising:

connecting to a communication network, in which where charging is made according to a transmitted/received data amount,
5 to start data communication;

recognizing the a start and the an end of transmission/reception of a set of transmitted/received objective data ~~to be transmitted/received~~;

measuring a transmitted/received data amount ~~to be~~
10 ~~transmitted/received~~ from the start to the end of

transmission/reception of the set of objective data; ~~to be transmitted/received and to be recognized;~~

judging whether or not the measured transmitted/received data amount ~~to be measured~~ has reached a specified data amount;

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when it is judged that the measured transmitted/received data amount has reached the specified data amount, warning a user ~~to that effect the transmitted/received data amount has reached the specified data mount; and~~

20 ~~when it is judged that the measured transmitted/received data amount has reached the specified data amount, temporarily suspending transmission/reception of the set of objective data, receiving an instruction to resume or terminate transmission/reception of the set of objective data from the user, and 25 resuming or terminating transmission/reception of the set of objective data in accordance with the instruction.~~

10. (Currently Amended) A computer readable recording medium that stores a program that ~~makes~~ is executable by a computer to cause the computer to execute:

5 a process of connecting to a communication network, ~~where in~~ which charging is made according to a transmitted/received data amount, to carry out data communication;

a process of recognizing ~~the~~ a start and ~~the~~ ~~an~~ end of transmission/reception of a set of transmitted/received objective data ~~to be transmitted/received~~;

10 a process of measuring a transmitted/received data amount ~~to be transmitted/received~~ from the start to the end of transmission/reception of the set of objective data; ~~to be transmitted/received~~ and ~~to be recognized~~;

15 a process of judging whether or not the measured transmitted/received data amount ~~to be measured~~ has reached a specified data amount; ~~and~~

20 a process of, when it is judged that the measured transmitted/received data amount has reached the specified data amount, warning a user ~~to~~ that effect the transmitted/received data amount has reached the specified data mount; ~~and~~

25 a process of, when it is judged that the measured transmitted/received data amount has reached the specified data amount, temporarily suspending transmission/reception of the set of objective data, receiving an instruction to resume or terminate transmission/ reception of the set of objective data from the user, and resuming or terminating transmission/reception of the set of objective data in accordance with the instruction.

11. (Currently Amended) A data communication terminal comprising:

means for carrying out data communication ~~by use of~~ via a communication network selected ~~from among~~ between a communication network where accounting is made according to a data amount and a communication network where accounting is made according to connection time;

means for setting a limit amount of a communication charge;

means for calculating the communication charge required for data communication in real time ~~manners~~ according to the selected communication network;

means for judging whether or not the calculated communication charge has reached the limit amount of communication charge; and

means for, when it is judged that the calculated communication charge has reached the limit amount, warning a user to that effect that the calculated communication charge has reached the limit amount; and

means for, when the calculated communication charge has reached the limit amount, (i) temporarily suspending transmission/reception of data when connected to the communication network where accounting is made according to the data amount, and waiting for an instruction to resume or terminate connection from a user, and (ii) terminating transmission/reception of the data to be transmitted/received without waiting for the instruction from the user when connected

to the communication network where accounting is made according
to the connection time.

Claim 12 (Canceled).

13. (Currently Amended) A data communication terminal
according to claim ~~12~~ 11, further comprising means for ending
communication connection immediately when terminating
transmission/reception of the data to be transmitted/received
5 without waiting for the instruction from a user, ~~in the case~~
when connected to the communication network where accounting is
made according to the connection time.